

In Kamloops, here is the language that was recently used to describe SEXUAL ASSAULTS of a 13 year old girl by a 29 year old man:

“KAMLOOPS THIS WEEK” – LOGAN LAKE MAN FACES SEX CHARGES (February 18 2011)

A Logan Lake man accused of being involved in **a sexual relationship with** a 13-year-old girl is facing a pair of criminal charges.

The 29-year-old man, who hasn't been identified, is alleged to have been **involved in a six-month relationship with the teenaged girl**, beginning last June and ending in January.

“As a result, this male has been arrested and charges of sexual interference and sexual exploitation have been approved by Crown counsel,” said RCMP Cpl. Dan Moskaluk.

The man, a friend of the victim's family, was arrested and released on strict conditions.

Mounties are asking anyone with information about **the relationship** to contact Logan Lake RCMP at 250-523-6222 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

The accused is expected to return to court on March 3.

“KAMLOOPS DAILY NEWS”: (February 18 2011)

A Logan Lake man faces charges after police learned about **a sexual relationship between the man and** a 13-year-old girl.

Cpl. Dan Moskaluk said the man, who cannot be named because of a ban on publication, is charged with sexual exploitation and sexual interference.

The **relationship** went on for at least six months, Moskaluk said, and only came to light after the girl told another adult. The girl's family considered the man a trusted friend.

Police in Logan Lake don't believe there are other victims, but officers are asking anyone else who might have information about the man or other **relationships** to come forward.

The man appeared in provincial court in Kamloops Wednesday and is expected back in court March 3.

Staff and Board Members at KSACC hope members of the PRESS can strive to use language that is perhaps more accurate and “less misleading” such as:

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A Logan Lake man accused of committing **multiple sexualized assaults against** a 13-year-old girl is facing a pair of criminal charges.

The 29-year-old man, who hasn't been identified, is alleged to have **carried out sexualized assaults against the teenage girl over a six-month period, claiming to have a relationship with this teenaged girl**, beginning last June and ending in January.

“As a result, this male has been arrested and charges of sexual interference and sexual exploitation have been approved by Crown counsel,” said RCMP Cpl. Dan Moskaluk.

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Mounties are asking anyone with information about the abuse to contact Logan Lake RCMP at 250-523-6222 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

The accused is expected to return to court on March 3. **The age of consent in the Criminal Code of Canada is 16 years of age.**

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The **abuse** went on for at least six months, Moskaluk said, and only came to light after the girl told another adult. The girl's family considered the man a trusted friend.

Police in Logan Lake don't believe there are other victims, but officers are asking anyone else who might have information about the man or other **related abuse** to come forward.

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Perhaps we could all begin to be more aware of how use of language effects our perception of reality.

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